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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

170-33. FENCE Review and Regulations. [Amended on 02-17-99 by Ord. No. 25-98; Amended on 12-09-2009 by Ord. No. 2009.09.09-15; Amended on 12-08-2010 by Ord. No. 2010.10.27-13; Amended on 11-28-2012 by Ord. No. 2012.11.14-24; Amended on 06-22-2016 by Ord. No. 2016.06.08-010, Amended on 07-22-2020 by Ord. No.2020.07.08.007.]

- A. FENCE HEIGHTs. No person, or other entity shall erect or cause to be erected a FENCE exceeding four (4) feet in HEIGHT between the RIGHT OF WAY and either ten (10) feet from the RIGHT OF WAY or a line parallel with the front of the house closest to the RIGHT OF WAY, whichever is less. FENCES may be up to eight (8) feet in HEIGHT for the remainder of the lot. HEIGHT is measured from ground level.
- B. FENCE design.
- (1) The finished side of a FENCE shall face outward from the property on which the FENCE is located. The side of a FENCE containing the posts or poles and other bracing appurtenances shall face inward to the property being FENCED in or on which the FENCE is located. When erected on a property or LOT boundary line, all of the FENCE and any of its supporting STRUCTURES or appurtenances shall be contained within the LOT or property of the person erecting said FENCE.
 - (2) On a CORNER LOT, no FENCE or vegetal elements shall be erected or placed in such a manner(s) as to materially impede vision between that area bounded by the STREET lines of such CORNER LOT and a straight line joining points along said STREET lines thirty (30) feet from the point to the intersection. For CORNER LOTS that are located on the inside curve of STREETS and at intersections that are not perpendicular, adequate and safe sight distances in both directions, as determined by the Zoning Administrator, shall be provided. Property owners shall maintain vegetation such that it does not grow to limit site distance.
- C. Exceptions. The provisions described in Subsection A shall not apply in the Commercial Manufacturing (CM), Commercial (C), Central Business (CBD), Gateway (G), OFFICE (O), and Cochecho Waterfront (CWD) Zoning Districts, or whenever the ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT, as a condition attached to the granting of a variance or special exception to this Chapter, requires for screening purposes a FENCE exceeding eight (8) feet.